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**Subject:** RE: Steven Pedigo association with RRT VI science sub committee FW: RRT-6 Bioremediation  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 24, 2013 2:13:14 PM

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Dear Mike Sams, Ragan Broyles and Steve Mason,

The OSEI Corporation requests immediate concurrence for the use of OSE II on any new spill from the off shore rig that is on fire in the Gulf. OSE II will not only clean up the oil and remove it from the environment, it will also diminish any fire hazard.

Mike I will be in New Orleans this weekend and would like to meet on Monday between 10:00 am and Noon if possible. I will wait for your response.

Steven Pedigo

> Subject: RE: Steven Pedigo association with RRT VI science sub committee FW: RRT-6 Bioremediation

> Date: Wed, 19 Jun 2013 17:58:41 -0500

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> Thank you.

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> Dear Michael Sams Coast Guard RRT VI Co Chair,

> This is the correspondence in which I was asked to be on the science sub committee as you can see below. David had mentioned there might be some question as to the committee I was asked to be a part of, so I wanted to include the email for your edification.

> Steven Pedigo

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> > Date: Tue, 10 Jul 2012 16:38:19 -0500

> > From: Michael.Baccigalopi@GLO.TEXAS.GOV

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> > Subject: RRT-6 Bioremediation

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> > Mr. Pedigo,

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> > I am the Science & Technology Committee Chairman for RRT-6. I wanted to let you know I received the document you mailed, late yesterday afternoon. I have not been able to read through it completely but have scanned it. What I would like to do is bring you up to speed on what we have been doing since the last RRT meeting and invite you to participate. I would also gladly meet with you in person. My office number is 361-552-8081 and you have my e-mail and physical addresses.

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> > At the last RRT meeting it was discussed that several of the alternative technology plans were due for a review. This included the "RRT-6 Position Paper on Bioremdiation" adopted January 2001. The official charge to me was to form a sub-committee to review the position paper to make a determination if it was inaccurate (IE out dated), needed to be updated or another step needed to be made. The sub-committee determined the position paper was still accurate though many of the examples were dated. The sub-committee has noted that the NRT has not updated their stance and guidance concerning bioremediation. The sub-committee realized that majority of the response community (responders and decision makers) did not have a complete understanding of what bioremediation is nor how or when to use it in a response. Several representatives on the sub-committee mentioned the EPA "Guidelines on Bioremediation for marine and wetland...." and RRT-4 guidance document on bioremediation as examples of needed material for RRT-6. A decision had been made to put together a guidance document for RRT-6 for bioremediation based on the RRT-4 document with references to the EPA document. The sub-committee has made a decision not to move forward on a pre-approval document with a major factor determining this is the lack of understanding of bioremediation.

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> > The guidance document is being written to address all bioremediation techniques and products. The sub-committee understands that some products do a better job then others and do not fit the "stereo typing" of bioremediation agents. Government agencies and the RRT can not promote any one type as it could be seen as favoritism. In other words some of the points or comments may not be completely accurate concerning your product but are

for the majority. These guidance points are to help the decision makers in a response choice the correct product and what the concerns maybe.

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> > I have attached the first draft of the guidance document to this e-mail. At this time I am still compiling comments from those on the sub-committee prior to a second draft being completed. One item to note, I've basically copied and pasted the RRT-4 document to create the RRT-6 document. I have not added the reference points nor written in the document giving RRT-4 the proper citations and respect for their work. This will come with subsequential drafts.

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> > I look forward to future correspondence and meeting you.

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> > Thank you very much for your participation on this sub-committee,

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